

C O P Y

Confidential Handling Until Signed

C O P Y

EXECUTIVE ORDER

National Security Medal

By virtue of the authority vested in me as President of the United States and as Commander in Chief of the Armed Forces of the United States, it is ordered as follows:

1. There is hereby established a medal to be known as the National Security Medal with accompanying ribbon and appurtenances of appropriate design to be approved by the Executive Secretary of the National Security Council.
2. The National Security Medal may be awarded in accordance with regulations to be issued by the President, to any person without regard to nationality, including a member of the Armed Forces of the United States, who, on or after 26 July 1947, has made an outstanding contribution to the National intelligence effort.
3. The decoration established by this order shall be awarded by the President of the United States or by such person as he may designate.
4. No more than one National Security Medal shall be awarded to any one person, but for subsequent services justifying an award, a suitable device may be awarded to be worn with the medal.
5. Members of the Armed Forces of the United States who are recipients of the decoration established by this order may be authorized to wear an appropriate ribbon, symbolic of the award, in accordance with uniform regulations established for their respective services.
6. The decoration established by this order may be awarded posthumously.

HARRY S. TRUMAN

The White House  
January , 1953

Confidential Handling Until signed

EAB B